THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) to (c) On 6.2.1991, the train engine along with 18 coaches of New Delhi bound Hyderabad-Nizamuddin Express derailed between Vempalli and Sirpur town stations of South Central Railway due to a blast caused by an explosive device. As a result, 2 persons were killed and 23 injured. No arrest has been made so far.

(d) No claim for compensation has been paid. However, an *ex-gratia* payment of Rs. 22,250/- has been made to dependants of the deceased and the injured passengers.

(e) An inter-departmental inquiry into this accident is in progress.

Implementation of the National Capital region Plan for Delhi

31. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Capital Region Plan for Delhi has not been seriously implemented by Government; and

(b) if so, what measures Government are taking for early implementation of the National Capital Region Plan for Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DAULAT RAM SARAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Implementation of Schemes is being monitored by the NCR Planning Board with a view to ensuring timely completion. A sum of Rs. 138.97 crores has so far been spent by the Centre and the participating State Governments to implement various Urban Development Schemes in the National Capital Region.

Connecting of Tripura to Kumarghat by Rail Link

32. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to connect the Capital of Tripura from Kumarghat during this plan period;

(b) if so, whether any budget provision has been made in this regard:

(c) which are the State Capitals yet to be connected with rail; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to rail link the above State Capitals?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) No, Sir. .....

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Agartala, Aizawal, Gangtok, Imphal, Itanagar, Kohima, Panaji, Shillong, and Srinagar are the State Capitals yet to be connected with rail.

(d) Except Panaji, all these State Capitals are located at mountaneous regions and are well served by Road network. The cost of rail lines in mountaneous regions will be very high. Due to financial constraints, there is no proposal for rail link to these State Capitals.

Malpractices in Railway Wing

33. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the malpractices prevalent in the various railway wings in misusing the railway man-power by the Railway officials for their domestic work particularly in the Railway Engineering and Commercial wings;